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In re Application of:

Lin

Serial No.: 09/721,851

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For: METHOD OF MAKING A SPIN VALVE
READ HEAD WITH
ANTIFERROMAGNETIC OXIDE FILM
AS LONGITUDINAL BIAS LAYER AND
PORTION OF FIRST READ GAP

Group No.: 3729

Examiner: Paul Kim

Docket No. SJO919980026US2

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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In response to the Office Action mailed 02/25/2003 the Applicants elect Group I method claims 23-42 without traverse.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this document he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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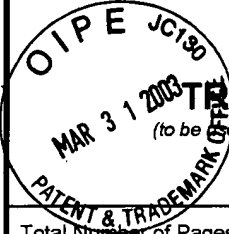
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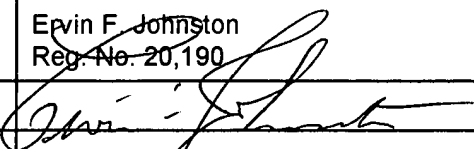
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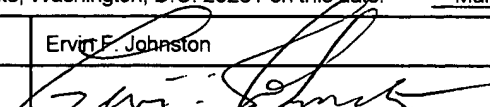
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